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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Marianne M. FIGUEIRA et al.

For: METHYLOTROPHIC BACTERIUM FOR THE
PRODUCTION OF RECOMBINANT PROTEINS
AND OTHER PRODUCTS

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Director of the USPTO/Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

The undersigned Agent is of record for the above-identified application.

Please advise of the current status of the above-identified application. The last action on this file appears to be a Preliminary Amendment placed on file on June 17, 2002.

Applicant does not believe that there is a fee associated with this request. However, in the event that this request involves a fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-5113.

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